Then And Now

By Frances H. Paulette

Extension Homemaker Clubwork In Appomattox County-----

"We've Come A Long Way, Baby!"

In the month of May, Appomattox County Homemakers are pausing, not only to look with pride on their collective and individual accomplishments during the past year, but to look even further back. They are looking back, with a great deal of appreciation, to all the homemakers and extension leaders who have worked so faithfully to make the art of homemaking and extension work in Appomattox County what it is today.

Time was, when a homemaker, faced with a problem, couldn't just pick up the phone, dial a number and hear the friendly voice of a trained extension worker offering help on whatever problem she was facing. No Sir!! If little Susie came home from school with an unsightly stain on her new blouse, (now it may have been called a 'muddy' or even a 'waist', depending on the period in time), Mama had to cope the best way she knew how. She relied on what she had been taught by Mama and Grandma; they weren't trained extension agents, but they did the best they could.

Extension Homemakers work had its beginning in Appomatox County in the year 1936 with the organization of the Wreck Island Club. Meeting in July of that year at the home of Mrs. Carey Carson, Sr., the club had forty-three members; the extension agent was Miss Ella Smith. (She is now Mrs. Ella Smith Anderson-B.G.)

One of the charter members of the Wreck Island Club, Mrs. Tilden Lee, has not only been active in the work of the club for the past forty-three years but seems to increase her activities with each passing year.

Mrs. Lee clearly remembers the first 'Home Demonstration Club' meeting as though it happened only yesterday. She also remembers keeping house 'back then'!!

"Water for the needs of the family, drinking, cooking, laundry and family baths was brought to the house in buckets from the spring," said Mrs. Lee. "Of course," she continued, "we had indoor plumbing later but I remember that spring just like it was yesterday."

I don't know about Mrs. Lee's experiences in getting water from the spring to the house, but I remember my late mother, laughing as she remembered, what a time her mother, my grandmother, had in getting full buckets of water from the spring to the house.

It seems, since one bucket didn't go very far in meeting the family needs, my grandmother frequently sent two of her sons to the spring at a time to get water. The spring was down under the hill in back of the house and not only did the boys race down the hill, they often raced back up!! Two lively boys running uphill with filled buckets of water could mean only one thing.....by the time they had reached the top of the hill, most of the water had slosed out! So, back to the spring again!

I have hanging over my dryer an old washboard that belonged to my grandmother. Across the top, in oil paints, I put the words, "We've Come A Long Way Baby!!" Indeed, we have!

Mrs. Lee remembers quite clearly when she first began keeping house, how she ironed the family clothing with a heavy black iron that had to be heated on the kitchen stove. From her conversation, I gathered that it was very important to her that her family be 'washed, starched, and just so' at all times....not an easy task with water from the spring and an old black iron.

Mrs. Lee would be the first to admit, homemakers in Appomattox County "have come a long way, Baby!!"

When Mrs. Lee, a charter member of the first Extension Homemakers Club in the county has, not only remained with the club for forty-three years, but, with each passing year, has become increasingly more active.....this tells me something! Extension Homemakers Club Work is more than ordinary, routine club meetings; it is interesting, challenging and rewarding. Women who participate are not only better homemakers for having been involved in this work but as individuals and citizens, they are more well-rounded, better able to cope with the changing times. Extension Homemaker Club Work is good!!

To give you an idea of just how much one individual in extension club work can accompolish, Mrs. Lee, a young 66, has a total of 796 ribbons that she has won in state and twin-county fairs. She also proudly displays eight grand champion trophies.

GOOD NEWS FOR HOMEMAKERS

By Shirley W. Walton
Extension Agent

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FOOD ADDITIVES AND FLAVOR

The importance of the flavor of food cannot be overestimated. If a food lacks good flavor, it will go uneaten regardless of all the nutritive qualities it might possess. Therefore, homemakers, as well as the food industry, use flavoring agents to make good food taste even better.

Flavoring agents make up the largest and most diversified group of food additives. Many flavoring agents are well known because the group includes naturally occurring spices and essential oils such as cloves, ginger, pepper and citrus oils. Less familiar, but equally important, are the aromatic chemicals which may be used in part flavorings such as pineapple, cherry, walnut and wintergreen. Still other flavoring agents are flavor enhancers. These substances do not add flavor themselves, but bring out the natural flavor of the food to which they are added.

Because many of the natural flavors are in short supply or available only during certain times of the year, manufactured flavors have an important place in the food industry. For example, the consumption of synthesized strawberry flavor converted to its equivalent in fruit approximates twice the U.S. production of strawberries for all the purposes. The consumption of synthesized grape flavor, almost all of the concord type, converted to its equivalent in fruit approximates five times the U.S. production of concord grapes for all purposes.

Uniform flavor is desirable. Almost everyone has noted that many fresh fruits taste more flavorful at some seasons of the year than at others.

Also the flavor may vary from one producing area to another. Synthesized flavors are often important, therefore, to give consistently good flavor to many processed foods. In some cases, the naturally occurring flavor will not survive processing as well as its synthesized counterpart. In many instances heat will destroy the flavors, and some flavors do not have a long shelf life.

This is just another example of how chemistry in food technology has helped to make the quality of our food more uniform, more attractive and more enjoyable to eat.

Homemakers, if you have a homemaking question or problem, you may call or write the Appomattox County Extension Office. Our phone number is 352-8244 and our address is P.O. Box 488, Appomattox, Virginia 24522. It is always a pleasure to hear from you and help you.

Hint for the Week

Would you like to get information on home canning, freezing, pickling, jelly and jam making? Why not call our office and let us send these to you, or come by and visit our bulletin rack. It is full of free materials which will help you, the homemaker.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

Jane's Seven-Up Strawberry Pie

1 pint strawberries
1 cup Seven-Up
½ cup sugar
5 tablespoon strawberry gelatin
3 teaspoons cornstarch

Cook sugar, cornstarch and Seven-Up until thick. Add gelatin and cool. Add berries to filling and pour into baked crust. Let congeal & serve. Top with whipped topping. Keep refrigerated.

Many thanks to Jane Pack for sharing this delicious pie recipe with us.

Young Hearts Club To Visit Yorktown

The Young Hearts Club will make the trip to Yorktown on Thursday, May 31. The group will leave Memorial Methodist Church at 6:30 a.m. on the morning of the 31st.

These ribbons and trophies were awarded for her outstanding accomplishments in many phases of homemaking...canning, preserving, handwork and so many other things.

There are many other women who have 'done themselves proud' in club work; the fourteen clubs in the county of Appomattox are made up of approximately three hundred members.

All through the years , capable extension agents have worked with the women of the county, helping them achieve their goals. Beginning the work in this county was our beloved Mrs. Ella Smith Anderson.

Today, Appomattox County women are led in their club work by Mrs. Shirley Walton, a truly remarkable woman. Always wearing a smile, and possessing what seems to be unlimited energy, Shirley is busy from morning til night, working WITH homemakers, working FOR homemakers, and working AS a homemaker.

It is no wonder that the Appomattox County Extension Homemakers "have come a long way Baby!!"".....their leader is very special.

Congratulations to the Appomattox County Extension Club Members and their dedicated leader, Shirley Walton.

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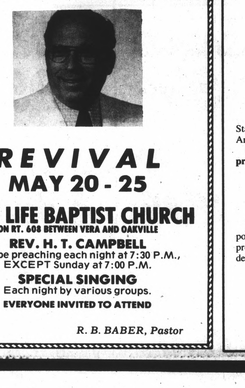

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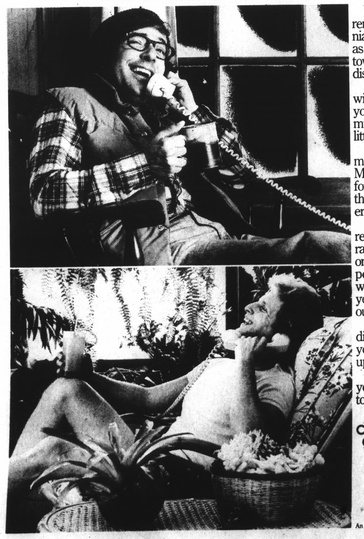

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Father Darkleaf

BY CALVIN ROBINSON

Appomattox observed Memorial Day in somewhat low key. Closings were few and business went on much as usual. Traffic seemed normal. An appropriate service was held at the court house. Perhaps the first memorial service in Appomattox followed the Peace made here in 1865. Mrs. Leyburn and other ladies of the Old Court House village arranged for reburial of the war dead in a spot donated for the purpose, and proper annual programs, including placing of flowers, began.

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Consensus of opinion is that we are off to an excellent growing year. Especially plants and shrubs. I have spent many hours pruning and Saturday had a novel experience of clipping honeysuckle massed around a medium size tree. My efforts exposed a neatly concealed bird's nest upon which the mother bird to be was setting and she let out a mighty squawk and lunged at me. I beat a hasty retreat and extended my greetings and best wishes from a safe distance beside a maple tree. And what happened? I noticed movement at eye level on the opposite side of the maple and discovered that a squirrel was playing hide and seek with me. I moved and the squirrel moved. We were about two feet apart. The charade went on until I backed off and later I saw the squirrel promiasding up Martha Street in the general direction of Spout Spring. Really, the Goodyear blimp should hover over Martha Street with photographers on the ready.

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Saturday, June 2 is the anniversary of the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II in 1953. By coincidence I came across in my library a copy of the coronation issue, 168 large pages, of the Woman's Journal, of London. A treasure of pictures in full color and filled with detailed articles about the royal family and British history. Even the ads, from New Zealand lamb to Coldrator refrigerators to Clivers Jellies to Cornish Wafers. Shall we say, "There'll Always Be An England.

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Father's Day is coming up, June 17, and who can forget D Day, June 6, when our heroes crossed the Channel and stormed the beaches of France.

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So much activity. Including approaching Vacation Bible Schools. Many of our people will be involved in the Bible Schools and they merit support. And appreciation.

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Appomattox has dedicated joggers. I see several daily. Jogging is a growing health activity. If jogging is not for you, aim at walking a mile per day. I've been getting in my exercise with a garden hoe and a lawnmower. Doing all right save for gnats. Recently I wrote about leaving doors open and letting in flies. I did not practice my preaching and let in a nimble bumblebee and had to chase him all over the house before winning.

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My friend, Charles E. McLaughlin, Pamplin, is back after several weeks in Texas. Thank you, sir, for bringing me interesting copies of several Southern newspapers.

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Each year I plant several hills of cotton in my garden. Not always successfully. This time around hope for a rim of sunflowers around the garden. I'm for anything that grows, including Appomattox. Thanks for reading and seeya next week.

photos by Joe Vaughan

Stella Osborne — Mary Lee Bryant

Lee Academy Graduates Two

Stella Osborne will graduate from Robert E. Lee Academy on June 8, 1979. She has completed nine years at the Academy and will finish with an "A" average.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Osborne of Route 2, Appomattox.

Mary Lee Bryant will graduate from Robert E. Lee Academy on June 8, 1979. She has attended three years at the academy and will compete the year with an "A" average.

She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Bryant of Route 3, Appomattox.

The Board of Directors of Robert E. Lee Academy expresses its congratulations to Stella and Mary Lee for their outstanding accomplishments in the years at Robert E. Lee Academy. They will receive their diplomas in June from Mr. C. T. Moses, Jr., Head Director.

Bloodmobile Visit Set For June 8th

The Red Cross Bloodmobile visit for Appomattox County, our last visit of the fiscal year, will be held on FRIDAY, June 8, 1979, so please mark your calendars as this is our very first visit on a FRIDAY.

Just as Monday was a good day back in January, I'm sure this Friday visit will be a good day for a big turn out, also.

Remember the vacation season is starting and this means blood will be needed more than ever. If you are not a qualified donor, please urge someone you know to come out and donate.

At the last visit, we had three 16-year-olds to come to donate and we did have to turn them down - you must be 17 years old before you can donate blood. I think those three should be commended for wanting to donate at the age of 16 (I'm sure I never would have offered at that young age).

We do have so many, many young people to really be proud of - THEY CARE, DO YOU?

Alice C. Martin, Chairman
Blood Services Program

ASCS Helps Farmers Solve Fuel Problems

Appomattox County Farmers who have exhausted all means of obtaining needed fuel may obtain assistance and fuel allocation forms from the ASCS office.

Under Department of Energy (DOE) regulations, farmers are entitled to 100 percent of their farm needs of prpoane, butane, and gasoline for

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THE INVITATIONS ARE OUT and the wedding party is ready for final rehearsal before the long-awaited "Womanless Wedding" that will take place Saturday night, June 2, 1979, at 8 p.m. at the Appomattox County High School auditorium. You just may recognize some of the prominent Appomattox County men in the photo above that will be taking a part in this social event of the season. Sponsored by the Extension Homemakers of Appomattox County, tickets may be bought in advance at the Extention Office, from any member of the Appomattox Extention Homemaker Clubs or at the door Saturday night. Adult tickets are $1.50, children's tickets are $1.00 and children under 6 are admitted free. Make plans now to attend the wedding, it will be great entertainment for the entire family.

Dr. S. R. Lawson To Seek Relection On Board Of Supervisors

Dr. S. R. Lawson

Dr. S. R. "Bobby" Lawson has announced that he will seek reelection as Southside District representative to the Appomattox County Board of Supervisors subject to the General Election in November.

In making his announcement Wednesday of last week, Dr. Lawson said, "I would like to have the opportunity once again to represent the citizens of the Southside District and to serve all of the people of Appomattox County for another term of office on the Board of Supervisors.

"I believe it to be most important for local government and its citizens to have continuity on the Board of Supervisors." The present Board, Lawson said, has taken the necessary steps to institute and set in motion for future elections, to have the membership of this local governing board elected for staggered

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E. Marshall Cook To Speak On New Drug Abuse Laws

K. Marshall Cook, Staff Attorney with the Division of Legislative Services, will speak on revised substance (drug) abuse laws at 11 a.m. Wednesday, June 6, 1979, in the Conference Room of the Area Office of the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service, North Court Street, Appomattox. Mr. Cook is a native of Prince Edward County, a graduate of T. C. Williams Law School, and has practiced law since May, 1974. He was assistant attorney General of Virginia, Criminal Divison, from September, 1975 through May, 1978.

The 1979 General Assembly revised marijuana laws in addition to some other laws relating to substance abuse. Mr. Cook assisted in drafting legislation relative to these laws and is knowledgeable of their contents.

This session is in conjunction with series of forums and discussions sponsored by the Appomattox Drug Education Advisory Committee during the 1978-79 school year. The Committee, appointed by the School Board, has attempted to provide opportunities for interested citizens to learn more

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School Board To Meet June 6th

The Appomattox County School Board will meet in regular session in the Board Room in Appomattox on Wednesday, June 6, 1979 at 7:00 p.m.

Items on the agenda will include recognition of teachers retiring at end of the current school session, approval of agreement with Lawson Ford for a car to be used in the driver training program, personnel report for 1979-80, report on summer activities, review of Standards of Quality reports, and review of curricular guides revised or developed during the current school session.

Skate-A-Thon Nets $7,725.61 For ASK

Appomattox County's first Skate-A-Thon, sponsored by the Appomattox Junior Woman's Club, was a tremendous success with a total of $7,725.61 having been collected to date. All proceeds from this event go to benefit, ASK, the Association for the Study of Childhood Cancer. ASK is a non-profit organization founded in 1975 by the parents of children being treated for cancer at the Medical College of Virginia in Richmond.

The theme of ASK is "Turn A Frown Upside Down." Certainly the overwhelming and generous response of the Appomattox community to the Skate-A-Thon has helped to make this theme a reality.

ACHS Names Honor Graduates

Baccalaureate And Commencement Exercises Announced

The faculty and administration of Appomattox County High School cordially invite the community to the Baccalaureate and Commencement Exercises for the graduating class of 1979.

Baccalaureate services will be held on Sunday evening, June 3, at 8:00 p.m. in the Appomattox County High School auditorium. The speaker will be Rev. Clarence H. Davis, pastor of New Hope Baptist Church. The senior chorus, directed by Miss Teresa Quesenberry, will sing.

Commencement Exercises will be held at Bragg Stadium, Appomattox Middle School, on Saturday evening, June 8, 1979, at 8:00 p.m.

The welcome will be given by the Senior Class President, Donald Parris. Elizabeth Bolling Carter and Susan Marie Lawson, Valedictorians, and Benjamin Robert Harvey, Jr., Salutatorian, will speak.

The Processional and the Recessional will be played by the Appomattox County High School Band under the direction of Mr. Frank Coffey.

No tickets are required for admission. In case of inclement weather, the Commencement Exercises will be held in the Appomattox County High School auditorium. Tickets will be issued to parents.

Class Day Exercises will be held on Friday, June 1, 1979, at 9 a.m. in the Appomattox County High School auditorium. Parents and friends are extended an invitation.

Honor graduates were announced this week by Principal Donald L. Armentrout and the Guidance Department. Students qualifying for highest honor status have attained a cumulative average of 3.5 or higher on a 4.0 scale and have met the entrance requirements of the National Honor Society. The school and community commend these students for their academic excellence and the qualities of leadership, character, and service.

Elizabeth Bolling Carter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Richard B. Carter of Appomattox, is Co-Valedictorian of the Class of 1979 and she has maintained a 4.0 scholastic average during high school. She participated in Varsity Club, National Honor Society, SCA, Latin Club, FHA, and newspaper. She was a cheerleader for 5 years and co-captain cheerleader of both the basketball and football squad this past year. Beth attended Governor's School for the Gifted during the summer between her junior and senior year. She was elected Homecoming Queen for 1978 Homecoming activities. Beth served as the Junior Class reporter and Senior Class secretary. An active chorus member, she was selected to attend Regional Chorus for three years. Beth will attend the College of William and Mary and possibly pursue a career in accounting.

The second Co-Valedictorian is **Susan Marie Lawson**, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Lawson of Route 2, Appomattox. Sue also maintained a 4.0 scholastic average through high school. As a two year member of the National Honor Society, Sue has served as the vice-president for the organization this year. She has been actively involved in all phases of co-curricular activities, including the Annual Staff, Future Homemakers of America and Varsity Club. She has been a Varsity cheerleader for both football and basketball for three years. Sue plans to attend the College of William and Mary and major in Computer Science.

Benjamin Robert Harvey, Jr. has been named Salutatorian for the graduating class. He is

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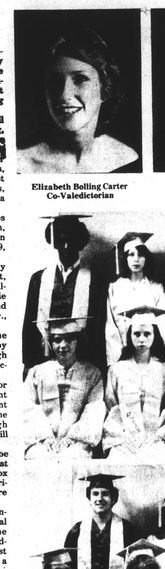

Elizabeth Bolling Carter Co-Valedictorian

Susan Marie Lawson Co-Valedictorian

Benjamin Robert Harvey, Jr. Salutatorian

Donald L. Armentrout, Principal at Appomattox County High School, and the Guidance Department have announced the names of honor graduates of the Class of 1979. Co-Valedictorians are Elizabeth Bolling Carter and Susan Marie Lawson and Salutatorian is Benjamin Robert Harvey, Jr., shown in top photos.

Students shown in the above two photos have earned a 3.5 average or higher during their years in high school and make up the remainder of the top honor graduates of the Senior Class.

In the top photo, back row, left to right, are Chris Johnson, Michelle Tweedy, Benny Harvey, Tamara Nash, Chueh Davis, and Sherri Harris; and on front row, left to right, are Cheryl Cosner, Jan Coggins, Karen Fratrick, Molly Handy, and Rita Reynolds.

In the bottom photo, back row, left to right, are Freddy Mitchell, Teresa Lively, Jimmy Baxter, Sue Lawson, and Tim Guill; and on front row, left to right, are Susan Campbell, Beth Carter, Kathy Johnson, Cindy Roach, and Mary Dyess. Ricky Mitchell was one of the honor graduates but was not available for picture.

Major Change in Ownership And Operation of Kings Markets Announced

KINGS MARKETS, INC. announced today a major change in its ownership and operations which was consummated May 19, 1979, by the election of new directors to the board and new officers of the corporation. On May 12, 1979, a majority of the Board of Directors of Kings Markets, Inc., approved the issuance of 400,000 shares of the outstanding, unissued common stock of the corporation to William E. Jamerson, Sr., and J.B. Drinkard, Jr., of Appomattox County, Virginia, at the price of $1.00 per share. This transaction was ratified by the Creditors Committee appointed for Kings Markets, Inc., by the Bankruptcy Judge of the United States District Court of the Western District of Virginia in Lynchburg, at a meeting of that Committee on May 17, 1979. As a result of the purchase of the 400,000 shares of common stock of Kings Markets, Inc., Mr. Jamerson and Mr. Drinkard acquired a majority interest in the corporation. At the same time the stock transfer to Mr. Jamerson and Mr. Drinkard was being consummated by the corporation, the corporation entered into negotiations with James P. Fitzpatrick, of Lynchburg, Virginia, who was then President, Treasurer and Chief Executive Officer of the corporation, for the sale to Mr. Fitzpatrick of certain operating stores from the Kings chain. As a result of these negotiations, Mr. Fitzpatrick has resigned as a director and officer of Kings Market, Inc., and agreed to purchase from the the corporation all of the inventory and assets of the corporation at six southside Virginia stores in Crewe, Blackstone, Chase City, Victoria, Halifax and Gretna, Virginia. Kings and Mr. Fitzpatrick are now negotiating with landlords at those locations for the assignments of leases to Mr. Fitzpatrick and making arrangements for inventory of the stores. It is contemplated that the actual transfer of ownership of the stores to Mr. Fitzpatrick will take place June 6, 1979. The sale of stores to Mr. Fitzpatrick by Kings and also approved by the Creditors Committee of Kings Markets, Inc., at the May

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LIONS CLUB STILL HAS BROOMS FOR SALE

The Appomattox Lions Club would like to thank the people that bought brooms from them Thursday night during their annual broom sale. The brooms are made by the blind and all profits go to promote sight conservation.

There are still some brooms left and are on sale at the Farmers National Bank, Wilbun's Supermarket, John Moss by Inn, Poe Hardware, and at the TIMES-VIRGINIAN.